GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:92
ANSWERED ON:27.02.2001
AMENDMENT IN CITIZENSHIP ACT
M. JAGANNATH;VIJAY KUMAR KHANDELWAL

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have simplified the procedure of acquiring Indian citizenship;

(b) If so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of persons who acquired Indian citizenship during the last three years;

(d) whether the Government propose to amend the Citizenship Act denying rights to the children of Bangladeshi migrants;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the views of the Assam Government and All Assam Students Union in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c): 3648 foreigners were granted Indian Citizenship during 1998-2000.

(d): There is no such proposal at present.

(e): Does not arise.

(f): The All Assam Students Union and the Government of Assam are of the view that the section 3 of the Citizenship Act, 1955 dealing with citizenship by birth, should be amended.